

**Minutes of the
July 19, 2021
Regular Meeting of the
China Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees**

The China Spring I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, July 19, 2021. Superintendent Dr. Marc Faulkner, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Kevin Pitts, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Jennifer Crook, Executive Director of Finance Brenda Poteet, Executive Director of Special Programs Lisa Howard, Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction Leslie Smith, Max Rutherford, Nickolas Smith, Heather Jenkins, Kristen Dutschmann and Rob Rogers met with the following trustees: Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, and Trey Oakley. Travis Louge also attended as a trustee for Place 7 – he was sworn in during Item #4 below. Trustees Jeff Bradburn and Holly Dunham were absent.

1. Call to Order

Rick Hines called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. noting that a quorum of Board Trustees was present. He also noted that the meeting had been duly called and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

2. Prayer

The prayer was led by Trey Oakley.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge was led by Melissa Adams.

4. Consideration, discussion, and approval of a new board member and swearing in and administration of oath of office for newly appointed school board member (Action Item)

Chris Gerick made a motion to appoint Travis Louge to the vacant trustee position for Place 7 through May 2022, through the remainder of Matt Penney's unexpired term. Bubba Galvan seconded the motion. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Brenda Poteet administered the Oath of Office to Travis Louge and he joined the board on the podium for the remainder of the meeting.

5. China Spring ISD Mission and Vision statements

A. MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission, in partnership with the community, is to provide individualized learning experiences to prepare students for success in life.

B. VISION STATEMENT

Our vision in China Spring Independent School District is to strive for continuous improvement of our educational system by providing opportunities for all to achieve excellence.

Rick Hines read the statements.

6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7. Reports to the Board (Information Item)

- A. Campus Principals
- B. Executive Director of Finance
- C. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
- D. Executive Director of Special Programs
- E. Deputy Superintendent
- F. Superintendent
 - 1. Resignations
 - 2. Report on new hires

- A. There were no questions on Principal Reports.
- B. Executive Director of Finance Brenda Poteet gave the Executive Director of Finance Report including the Quarterly Investment Report for the quarter ended June 30, 2021.
- C. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Jennifer Crook highlighted the information in her report.

- D. Executive Director of Special Programs Lisa Howard highlighted information in her report.
- E. Deputy Superintendent Kevin Pitts highlighted happenings in Food Service, maintenance, custodial and transportation areas. Dr. Faulkner and Dr. Pitts updated the board on the track and football field renovation – those changes are being pushed back to next summer because of lack of availability of supplies.
- F. Dr. Faulkner gave the Superintendent's report:
 - 1. Resignations – Richard Espin (Ag), Kendall Sligh (was new hire for Ag for this year)
 - 2. Construction update – Aron with Claycomb gave a project update on the Elementary Construction.
 - 1. New Hires - John Christian (MS History/MS Coordinator); Emilie Downing (Intermediate School Nurse), Brooke Jackson (MS Reading Intervention), Rachel Johnson (Choir), April Leatham (Int. Social Studies/ELAR), Heather Milam (HS Ag), Devin Michael (5th Math/Science), John Morgan (HS Industrial Trades), Brad Settles (HS Art)

8. Review district purchases of supplies and personal property (Information Item)

There were no questions on district purchases of supplies.

Item 9 moved to later in meeting as Financial Advisor Victor Quiroga was caught in traffic on the way up from San Antonio.

Items 10 & 11 Executive Session was moved to the end of the meeting.

12. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the District Improvement Plan (Action Item)

Trey Oakley moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve the District Improvement Plan as presented. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Travis Louge voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the Student Code of Conduct for the 2021-2022 school year (Action Item)

Bubba Galvan moved and Trey Oakley seconded the motion to approve the Student Code of Conduct for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Travis Louge voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Review the Student Handbooks for the 2021-2022 School Year (Information Item)

Dr. Faulkner discussed changes and updates to the student handbooks.

15. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of a delegate and an alternate for the TASA/TASB Convention (Action Item)

Chris Gerick moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to nominate Travis Louge as the district delegate and Trey Oakley as the district alternate for the TASA/TASB convention. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Travis Louge voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

16. First Reading of Policy Update 117 (Information Item)

Dr. Faulkner discussed highlights of the policy update 117 from TASB.

17. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of the minutes from the regular board meeting June 28, 2021. (Action Item)

Trey Oakley and Travis Louge moved to accept the minutes for the June 28, 2021 regular board meeting as presented. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Travis Louge voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The board returned to items 10 & 11.

10. Executive Session, Govt. Code 551.074

The Board went into executive session at 6:43p.m. and returned at 7:11p.m. with no action taken.

11. Action arising from Executive Session (Action Item)

There was no action taken.

The board returned to item 9.

9. Consideration, discussion, and possible action on an Order authorizing the issuance of the District's Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2021; levying a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax for payment of the bonds; and resolving other matters incident and related to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the bonds (Action Item)

Victor Quiroga made a presentation on the upcoming bond sale and noted that the district locked in an interest rate of 2.53% today. The increased preliminary taxable values and the lower interest rate have decreased the estimated tax rate impact from a .12 cent increase to a .06 cent increase for the voters. Bubba Galvan moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve the Order as presented. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Travis Louge voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

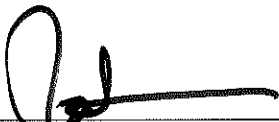
18. Discussion of future agenda items (Information Item)

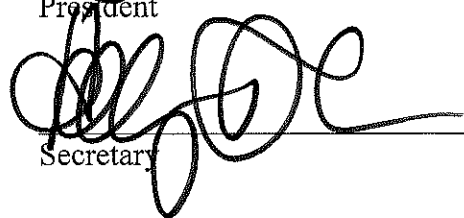
Approve Policy Update 117
Approval of Tax Rate
4-H approval for Extra-Curricular Status
T-Tess Appraisal Approval
New Employee Reception with Board in September?
Presentation of STAAR Data

19. Adjourn (Action Item)

Travis Louge moved and Trey Oakley seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Hines, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Travis Louge voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22p.m.



President


Secretary